

Applicants do not intend by these or any other amendments to abandon the subject matter of any claim as originally presented, and reserves the right to pursue such subject matter in other applications, such as continuing applications and divisional applications.

It is submitted that all presently pending claims should be allowed. Should the Examiner wish to discuss any further material of form or substance, she/he is encouraged to contact the undersigned agent at the telephone number listed below.

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## **VERSION SHOWING CHANGES MADE**

### **In the Claims:**

3. (Amended) A method for the treatment of glaucoma which comprises administering to a subject in need of such treatment at least one compound which blocks stretch-activated channels [either directly or indirectly] of eye retinal ganglion cells or other pressure sensitive retinal ganglion cellular mechanisms [in eye neuronal cells] so as to  
retinal ganglion cells from apoptotic cell death.